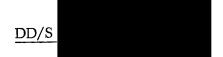
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At the Deputies' Meeting:

- a. The Director suggested that we consider naming our auditorium at the new building the "Donovan Memorial Auditorium." He thought that General Donovan's estate might make a contribution for the Memorial and that we might otherwise raise money for this purpose.
- b. The Director again raised the question of cutting back on the NIS Program and admonished Mr. Amory rather forcefully that he wanted him to take a good hard look at this matter and to come up with his recommendations before too long.
- c. We also discussed our vulnerability concerning the protection of the President and other Senior United States officials when they are traveling in foreign countries. While we do not have this responsibility by charter we have participated in such activities. The Federal Bureau of Investigation, of course, disclaims any responsibility, and while the Department of State is presumably responsible they ordinarily do not have the competence. The Director asked Lyman Kirkpatrick to coordinate with foreign a letter which he might send to other Agency heads. As I understand it the letter would say in substance that while we are willing to help out all we can we do not have the assets nor can we properly assume the full responsibility.

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